

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Previously Presented): An information processor comprising:

a first judging means for judging whether a first content has been transferred to an apparatus connected to the information processor;

a second judging means for judging whether a second content has been transferred to an apparatus connected to the information processor;

means for combining the first and second contents together when it is determined by the first and second judging means that neither the first nor second content has been transferred to an apparatus connected to the information processor; and

a third judging means for judging whether a maximum number of possible transfers to an apparatus connected to the information processor for the first content is equal to that for the second content, and wherein the combining means combines the first and second contents together when it is determined by the third judging means that the maximum number of possible transfers to an apparatus connected to the information processor is equal to that for the second content.

~~Claim 2 (Cancelled).~~

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~~Claim 3~~ (Currently Amended): The apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

fourth means for judging whether a playback time limit or number of times of playback is set for the first and second contents, and wherein the combining means combines the first and second contents when no limit is set for both the first and second contents.

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Claim ~~4~~ (Currently Amended): The apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

fifth means for generating a name for combined contents based on the names of the first and second contents.

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Claim ~~5~~ (Previously Presented): An information processing method in which first and second contents are combined together, the method comprising:

a first judging step of judging whether a first content has been transferred to an apparatus connected to an information processor;

a second judging step of judging whether a second content has been transferred to an apparatus connected to an information processor;

a content combining step of combining the first and second contents together when it is determined that neither the first nor second content has been transferred to an apparatus connected to an information processor; and

a third judging step of judging whether the maximum number of possible transfers to an apparatus connected to an information processor for the first content is equal to that for the second content; and wherein the first and second contents are combined together at the content combining step when it is determined that the maximum number of possible transfers to an apparatus connected to an information processor for the first content is equal to that for the second content.

~~Claim 6~~ (Cancelled).

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Claim ~~7~~ (Currently Amended): The method according to claim ~~5~~, ⁴ further comprising:

a playback limit judging step of judging whether a playback time limit or limit of times of playback is set for the first and second contents, and wherein the first and second contents are combined together at the content combining step when it is determined that no playback time limit or limit of times of playback is set for both the first and second contents.

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Claim ~~8~~ (Currently Amended): A program storage medium having stored therein a computer-readable program code, the computer-readable program code causing a computer to execute a method of information processing stored in the medium comprising:

a first judging step of judging whether a first content has been transferred to an apparatus connected to an information processor;

a second judging step at which is it judged whether a second content has been transferred to an apparatus connected to an information processor;

a content combining step of combining the first and second contents together when it is determined that neither the first nor second content has been transferred to an apparatus connected to an information processor; and

a third judging step of judging whether a maximum number of possible transfers to an apparatus connected to an information processor for the first content is equal to that for the second content, and wherein the first and second contents are combined together at the content combining step when it is determined that the maximum number of possible transfers to an apparatus connected to an information processor for the first content is equal to that for the second content.

~~Claim 9 (Cancelled).~~

Claim ~~10~~⁷ (Currently Amended): The ~~medium~~ method according to claim ~~8~~⁶, the ~~program code~~ further comprising:

a playback limit judging step of judging whether a playback time limit or limit of times of playback is set for the first and second contents, and wherein the first and second contents are combined together at the content combining step when it is determined that no playback time limit or limit of times of playback is set for both the first and second contents.

Claim ~~11~~⁸ (Currently Amended): The ~~medium~~ method according to claim ~~8~~⁶, the ~~program code~~ further comprising:

a step of generating a name for the combined contents based on the names of the first and second contents.

~~Claims 12-20~~ (Cancelled).